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Working Biological Goals
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The following are draft working biological goals prepared by the Biological Goals and Objectives Working Group and recommended for adoption by the Steering Committee. The draft biological goals are intended to guide development of the BDCP Conservation Strategy and provide for the conservation and management of the covered species as described in the BDCP Planning Agreement.

Recommended Working Biological Goals

Goal 1. Increase the survival of covered fish species.

Goal 2. Contribute to the rehabilitation of ecosystem processes that support aquatic and adjacent riparian and floodplain natural communities to favor covered species that rely on those communities.

Goal 3. Increase the diversity, quality, and availability of functional habitat to support covered species.

Goal 4. Reduce the threat of invasion and the adverse effects of non-native species on ecosystem processes and habitats that support covered species.

Goal 5. Contribute to water and sediment quality conditions, including reducing the adverse effects of toxics, that support ecosystem processes and habitat for covered species.